

PINK BOLLWORM PROGRAM – WEEKLY REPORT
48 YEARS OF SERVICE TO COTTON GROWERS



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Pink Bollworm Activities

Sacramento Valley:

We are currently waiting on the cotton field acreage data for the Sacramento Valley. This information will be reported as soon as it is compiled.

San Joaquin Valley:

In the San Joaquin Valley the total mapped acreage of cotton remains constant at 152,675 acres with 38,140 acres in Fresno County, 20,755 acres in Kern County, 51,190 acres in Kings County, 735 acres in Madera County, 31,955 acres in Merced County, and 9,900 acres in Tulare County. Trap placement has now been completed in all counties, with the exception of Merced County, which should be completed by June 26th. There are 445 traps in Fresno County, 328 traps in Kern County, 512 traps in Kings County, 17 traps in Madera County, 151 traps in Tulare County, and 36 traps along our desert trap line. There are currently 466 traps in Merced County, but that number is expected to get up to 510 by June 26th. Trap servicing is currently underway in all counties and will continue through October. No native pink bollworm moths (PBW) have been recovered in these counties last year or so far during the current trapping season. Therefore, there are no plans to release sterile moths in cotton fields in the San Joaquin Valley this year.

Southern California:

The cotton acreage in Southern California remains constant at a total of 4,577 acres, with 1,262 acres in Imperial County and 3,315 acres in Riverside County. Riverside County has a test plot of approximately two acres of Pima Cotton in the Blythe/Palo Verde area. ELISA testing for Bt Cotton in Southern California has been completed, and there were no discrepancies in the results.

Trap placement and servicing began in May and will continue through the end of October. There are 26 traps in Imperial County, 132 traps in Riverside County, 0 traps in San Bernardino County, and 49 traps in other desert areas. No native PBW have been recovered in these counties last year or so far during the current trapping season. Therefore, no sterile moths will be released in cotton fields in Southern California this year.